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Art unit: 2183

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Applicant: Gunzinger, Anton

For: A method for rapid communication within a parallel computer system etc.

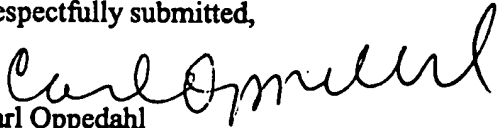
REQUEST FOR REFUND

We have received a Deposit Account statement dated February 2003, showing a charge on February 6, 2003 in the amount of \$336 with a fee code of 1201 and a serial number of 09/954,596. This appears to be a charge for four independent claims for an applicant that is not a small entity. We can only speculate as to the reason why the Patent Office imposed this charge, although our best guess is that it was somehow prompted by our Amendment dated November 24, 2002 in which we added four independent claims.

Enclosed are copies of Forms PTO/SB/17, PTO/SB/22, and PTO-2038, all dated November 24, 2002 and enclosed with the Amendment of that date. As may be plainly seen on both Forms PTO/SB/17 and PTO/SB/22, small entity status was claimed. Thus the correct charge for these claims is \$168, not \$336. As may be plainly seen from Form PTO-2038 we authorized charging this fee to our credit card. It appears the Patent Office failed to apply this charge.

The Patent Office is requested to refund \$168 due to the improper \$336 charge to our deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,


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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) **368**

Complete if Known

Application Number **09 954 596**
Filing Date **12 Sept 02**
First Named Inventor **Conzinger**
Examiner Name **Ellis**
Art Unit **2183**
Attorney Docket No. **FREI P033-2**

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001 740	2001 370	Utility filing fee	
1002 330	2002 165	Design filing fee	
1003 510	2003 255	Plant filing fee	
1004 740	2004 370	Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) **168**

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims **7** -20** = **4** x **42** = **168**
Independent Claims **7** -3** = **4** x **42** = **168**
Multiple Dependent

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 84	2201 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 280	2203 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 84	2204 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) **168**

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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Small Entity

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1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 400	2252 200	Extension for reply within second month	200
1253 920	2253 460	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,440	2254 720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 1,960	2255 980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 320	2401 160	Notice of Appeal	
1402 320	2402 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 280	2403 140	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,280	2453 640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,280	2501 640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 460	2502 230	Design issue fee	
1503 620	2503 310	Plant issue fee	
1460 130	1460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807 50	1807 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1808 180	1808 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
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1810 740	2810 370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801 740	2801 370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802 900	1802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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